

TELEPHONES AND DISEASE.

That the telephone-transmitter may serve to carry disease from one user to another has been suggested more than once. The feasibility of such an occurrence has been experimentally tested by Dr. William Bissel, of Buffalo, who reports his results in the Buffalo Medical Journal. They are negative, as far as they go, and seem to indicate that the supposed danger is rather remote. We quote the following abstract made by The Medical Record: It is well known that an individual to all intents and purposes in good health may be the carrier of noxious germs. For instance, the germ of croupous pneumonia is present in the mouth of every healthy person, and the diphtheria bacillus exists in the nose and throat of many persons who have never suffered from the disease. Again, those who have recovered from typhoid fever and cholera continue to throw off the germs of these respective diseases, while in cases of chronic pulmonary tuberculosis, when expectoration is profuse, the organism is expelled in large numbers. The experiments conducted by Dr. Bissel took place in the early part of this year, the telephones at three of the largest hotels in Buffalo being utilized for the purpose, and the particular organism for which search was being made being the diphtheria bacillus. After the most careful investigation it was found to be impossible to demonstrate the presence of the diphtheria bacillus on any of the telephones. It would thus appear as if there is little or no fear of contracting diphtheria by this means.

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Tuesday, June 23.—

Goods per *Samki Maru* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

Thursday, June 25.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of a Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture, at No. 5, East Terrace, Kowloon.

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BIRTH.
At Denodin, Barker Road, on the 29th June, the wife of ALEX. MACKENZIE, of a Daughter.
The publication of this issue commenced at 5.45 p.m.
The China Mail.
HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JUNE 20, 1903.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Plague.

Only six cases of plague, (all Chinese) were reported during the 24 hours ended noon to-day. Five of the cases proved fatal. Four bodies were found and one was removed from the coolie quarters of the Government Lunatic Asylum.

Authorised Architects.

In this week's *Gazette*, the rules with regard to application for admittance as Authorised Architects, in the Public Health and Building Ordinance, are published. They state that no candidate will be admitted unless he is over 27 years of age; has worked exclusively as a Civil Engineer or Architect for at least 8 years, dating from the commencement of his pupillage or professional training; and unless in the opinion of the majority of the committee, he has had sufficient training and experience as a Civil Engineer or Architect to justify his admission, and is otherwise eligible.

Water-Polo at the V. R. C.

At the Victoria Recreation Club's enclosure yesterday evening, a water polo match between teams representing the Royal Engineers, and the Club, was played off. Both teams turned up well, but the Engineers had one man short, and his place was filled in by A. E. Alves. For the Club, the following played: R. Henderson, C. Alves, J. Miller, N. Alves, O. Chummet, A. Barros, and T. Rapp; whilst their opponents were: Jackson, Brown, Melbourne, Rogers, Mansel, Goodwill, and A. E. Alves. The game was a very first one, and at the conclusion, the club's team were declared winners—winning by 8 goals to 3. N. Alves, Miller, and Barros, played exceptionally well on behalf of the Club, whilst A. E. Alves, and Jackson at goal for the Engineers, also made a good show. Mr. A. A. Alves was referee.

Don't like 'Gunga Din'

The Town of Seiatue, Mass., hitherto known only through its connection with a famous Jesse cow, is about to challenge attention on other grounds. The High School authorities have taken a fall out of Rudyard Kipling. They refused to allow the recitation of 'Gunga Din' at the recent commencement exercises. The verse they most strenuously objected to contains the lines:

'E'll begettin' on the coals
Givin' drink to poor damned souls,
And I'll get a swig in 'ell from
Gunga Din.'

The religious tenet that there is to be no atonement of eternal punishment is defied by the poet; but the High School authorities of Seiatue, Mass., wish it to be thoroughly understood that there will be no 'swigs' hereafter. They are probably not interested in the fact that one of their countrymen who prides himself on his literary judgment has selected 'Gunga Din' as one of the ten best short poems in our language.

A Strange Change of Eribery.

A most peculiar case of bribery was before Mr. H. Kemp, at the Magistrate's court this morning. Sergeant George Sims, of the Chinese Chau Police Station, charged Mok Tang, of Tung Kun, with offering him a bottle of whisky, six bottles of beer, two bottles of whisky, two live fowls, and one basket of fruit. From the evidence heard it appeared that the articles reached the Station at 4.45 p.m. on the 19th inst., escorted by the prisoner. Through the sergeant's interpreter, Sims learnt that they were a present for him, sent by the prisoner's master. Sims did not take the goods, believing that they were offered for some particular purpose, but detained the accused at the Station. The prisoner stated that on the day in question his master's brother was to be married, and although it was a rule to invite all friends to 'drink sham shu', on this special occasion his master thought it would be better to send a present than to invite the Sergeant to a Chinese 'drink'. His master kept a shop in the vicinity of Cheung Chau and on all such occasions had sent present to Mandarins and other officials. Sergeant Sims explained that some weeks ago he summoned the defendant for not removing a certain drain at his premises. He was then fined \$15 for that offence, and most probably offered the present, to prevent further trouble. Mr. Kemp imposed a fine of \$50, with an alternative of two months' imprisonment.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Sir Michael Hicks-Booth took his seat in the House of Commons on May 20 for the first time since his retirement from the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer.

A new repeating rifle has been invented by one of the mechanics on board the cruiser *Courbet*. The magazine holds from twenty to twenty-five cartridges, and the mechanism is very simple.

The game of bridge has 'caught on' in an extraordinary way in France. It is played at nearly all the society gatherings of the season, and newspaper paragraphs make mention of 'exciting' games.

Dr. Catiaux, of St. Germer, near Beauvais, has drowned himself in a cistern in his house. He left a certificate that death was due to asphyxiation by drowning, and a letter stating that life was a huge piece of humbug.

Two gendarmes were on May 20 accused in the Place du Chateau-Rouge, Paris, by a man who exclaimed, 'I have killed my best friend.' 'I wish to be guillotined.' The man was taken into custody. A cat whose head had been cut off was found at his house.

Antoinette Chavrier, who, during the Second Empire, was famous for her beauty, and popularly known as 'The Rose', has committed suicide in a miserable hotel in the Rue Sainte-Foy by means of charcoal fumes. Her dog, cat, and birds died with her. In the room were discovered letters from several eminent politicians and academicians now dead, and one from Napoleon III.

Hongkong Christian Union.

The usual prayer meeting will be held on Monday at 5.15 p.m. in the room of the Union, 12 Beaconfield Avenue. All are cordially invited.

The Hero of Mafeking.

Major-General Baden-Powell has taken up his duties as Inspector-General of Cavalry at the War Office. The pay of his appointment is fifteen hundred a year all told, and he is to fill the position for three years at least.

Nebuchadnezzar's Palace.

A letter received at Berlin from Dr. Koldewey states the uncovering of the Ishtar Gate of ancient Babylon has been completed. The doctor adds that 600 cases of tiles, reliefs, and other objects which once decorated Nebuchadnezzar's palace have been shipped to Germany.

Death of Sir Chi-Chen Lo-feng-luh.

The *Straits Times* of the 12th inst. says:—A telegram received in Singapore late last night announces the death at Foochow, about three days ago, of Sir Chi-Chen Lo-feng-luh, the late Chinese Ambassador in London. The deceased's daughter was recently married to Mr. Tan Soe Bin, son of the Hon. Tan Jink Kim, and is at present living in Singapore. The deceased died of an internal affection of the head.

A New Steamer.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's new steamer *Tung Shing* arrived at Singapore from Newcastle on the 10th inst. on her maiden trip and went to the wharf. Her Singapore agents are Bonstead and Co. The trial trip of the *Tung Shing* passed off recently in a very successful manner. The steamer, which has been built and engineered by Messrs Wigham-Richardson and Co. (Limited), at their Neptune Works, Newcastle-on-Tyne, is 275 feet in length by 40 beam, and is fitted with accommodation for a limited number of European and Chinese passengers. The engines are of the triple-expansion type, and on the trial trip they worked to the satisfaction of all concerned. The steamer reached Hongkong the other day.

Music on the Parade Ground.

The following is the programme of music to be played by the Band of the 33rd Burma Infantry, on the New Parade Ground, on Monday next, from 5 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.:—

March..... Marche Romaine.....Gounod

Entr'acte..... La Lettre de Manon.....Gillet

Selection..... Three Little Maids.....Rubens

Dance..... Hungarian.....Strauss

Selection..... A Princess of Kensington.....Edward German

Waltz..... Parfums d'Iliver.....Berger

PYRE PROGRAMME.

March..... Corn Riggs

March..... The Cameron Men.

March..... The Sweet Maid of Glen-darnal.

March..... The Darning of the Piper's Huk.

Strathey..... Monynauk.

Reel..... Lord James Murray's.

March..... The Green Hills of Tyrol.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR HAVRE, BREMEN AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Suevia*, Capt. BORCK, 1st July, 1903. Freight.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

S.S. *Nürnberg*, Capt. JAPURA, 15th July, 1903. Freight.

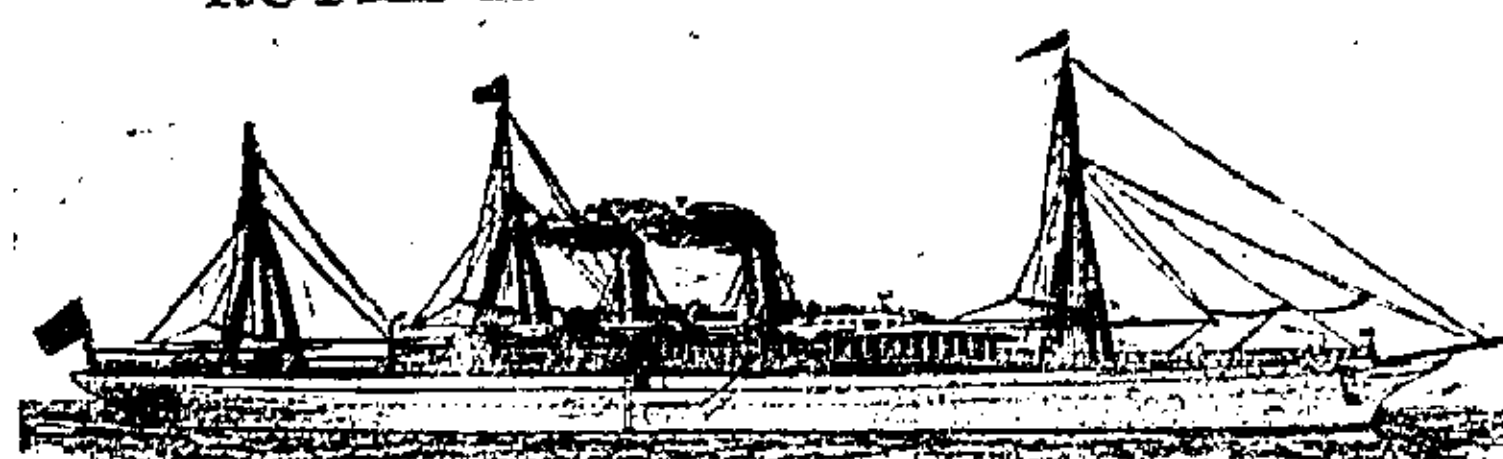
FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.

S.S. *Wienburg*, Capt. v. BIRNER, 29th July, 1903. Freight & Passengers.

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

CALLING AT SINGAPORE AND PENANG.

S.S. *Badenia*, Capt. RORDES, 12th August, 1903. Freight.For further particulars, apply to
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R.M.S. <td>TARTAN <th>4425 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, July 22</th> </td>	TARTAN <th>4425 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, July 22</th>	4425 TONS	WEDNESDAY, July 22
R.M.S. <td>EMPERESS OF CHINA <th>6000 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 5</th> </td>	EMPERESS OF CHINA <th>6000 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 5</th>	6000 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Aug. 5
R.M.S. <td>ATHENIAN <th>3882 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 12</th> </td>	ATHENIAN <th>3882 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 12</th>	3882 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Aug. 12
R.M.S. <td>EMPERESS OF INDIA <th>6000 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26</th> </td>	EMPERESS OF INDIA <th>6000 TONS</th> <th>WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26</th>	6000 TONS	WEDNESDAY, Aug. 26

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Hongkong, April 22, 1903.

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STEAMSHIP COMPANY.SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, via INLAND SEA OF JAPAN,
MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA; FOR

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE

OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP.	TONS.	CAPTAIN.	HONGKONG.
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Hongkong, June 15, 1903.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.)

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

Steamers.	Destinations.	Sailing Dates.
KINSHU MARU, F. L. PINE,	KOBE.	THURSDAY, 25th June, at Noon.
KAWACHI MARU, H. FRASER,	MARSEILLES, LONDON and ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO & PORT SAID.	SATURDAY, 27th June, at Daylight.
TOSA MARU, A. CHRISTIANSEN,	VICTORIA, B.C., and SEATTLE, U.S.A., via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	TUESDAY, 30th June, at 4 p.m.
ANZUMI MARU, M. YAGI,	BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE and COLOMBO.	THURSDAY, 2nd July, at Noon.

Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the Great Northern Railway and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Moji and Kobe, 1st and 2nd Class Through Passengers have the option of travelling by the Sanyo Railway, or further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Charter Road.

Apply to

T. S. Takayanagi, Asst. Manager.

Hongkong, June 20, 1903.

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JOINT SERVICES.

FORTNIGHTLY SAILINGS FOR LONDON.

MONTHLY SAILINGS FOR LIVERPOOL AND FOR CONTINENT.

OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMER	DATE
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	STENTOR	27th June.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TYDEUS	3rd July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	MACHON	12th July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	DIONED	19th July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	BECTOR	22nd July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NINCHOW	29th July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	TRICEL	30th July.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	NINCHOW	9th August.

The S.S. STENTOR, from Glasgow and Liverpool left Singapore on the 18th inst., n.m., and is due here on 24th inst.

HOMEWARDS

LONDON BERTH.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ANTENOR	22nd June.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	ALBION	29th June.
* LIVERPOOL	PHOSPHOREN	22nd July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SECTOR	21st July.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	SECTOR	4th August.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP	DARDANUS	18th August.

The S.S. ANTENOR, from Marcellas, London and Antwerp left Shanghai on the 18th inst., for Poochoo and this Port.

* Taking Cargo for Liverpool at London Rates.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, via N'KI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	MACHON	14th July.
	NINCHOW	10th August.

For Freight, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, June 20, 1903.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
SHANGHAI	WHAMPOA	22nd June.
CEBU AND ILOILO	KINONG	23rd June.
MANILA	CHINCHU	4th July.
PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	CHINCHU	4th July.
KOBE	TAIYUAN	7th July.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

Steamers.	Sailing Dates.
ROON	THURSDAY, 25th June.
PRUSSSEN	THURSDAY, 9th July.
HAMBURG	THURSDAY, 23rd July.
PRINZ HEINRICH	THURSDAY, 6th Aug.
SACHSEN	THURSDAY, 20th Aug.
KIAUTSCHOU	THURSDAY, 3rd Sept.

* Steamer of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON THURSDAY, the 25th day of June, 1903, at Noon, the Steamship ROON, of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain G. MEYERS, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above. Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

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OLYMPIA	2897	J. Trubridge	June 24.
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TACOMA	2812	A. Dixon	July 6.
VICTORIA	3592	J. Panton	August 3.

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Hongkong, June 20, 1903.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

For	STEAMER	LEAVING
ANPING, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	MAIDZURU MARU, T. SAITO,	SUNDAY, 21st June.
TAMSU, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIGI MARU, T. W. GROVES,	THURSDAY, 5th June.
FOOCHOW, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	ANPING MARU, T. GOSS,	SUNDAY, 28th June.
TAMSU, via SWATOW AND AMOY.	DAIJIN MARU, T. OOKA,	WEDNESDAY, 1st July.

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T. ARIMA,

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